



Guardian Angels Parish

June 26, 2016

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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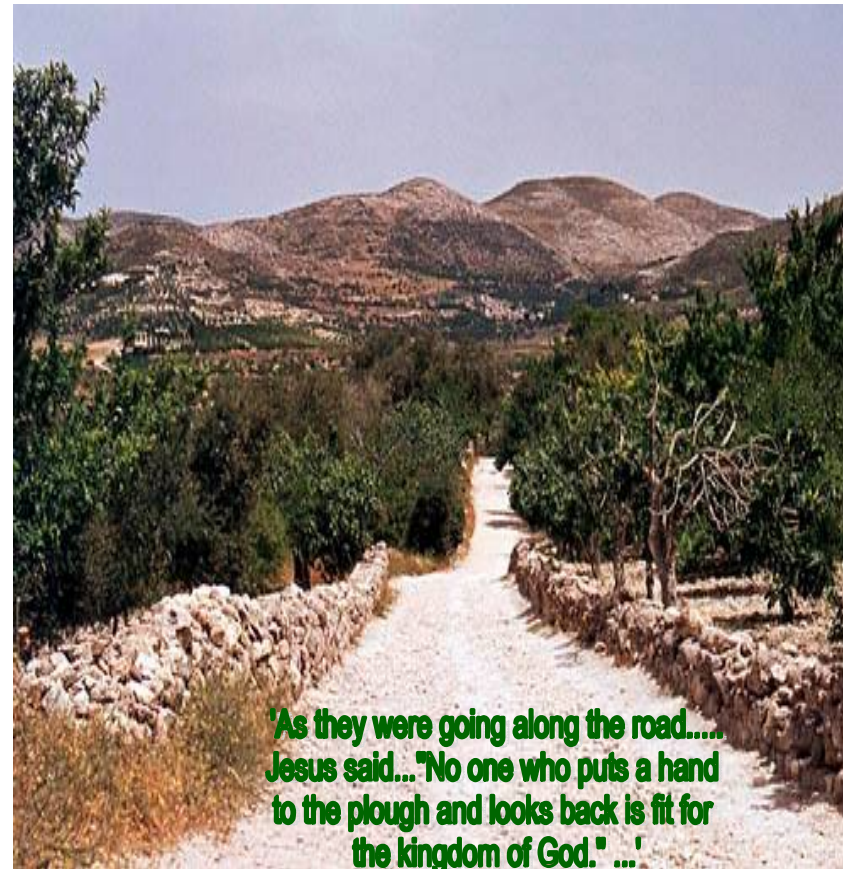
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weekends



**'As they were going along the road.....
Jesus said... "No one who puts a hand
to the plough and looks back is fit for
the kingdom of God." ...!'**

PARISH LITURGICAL AND PRAYER SCHEDULE

Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday 4:00 pm (Anticipated Mass)
Sunday 9:00 am; 11:00am; 12:30pm

Weekday Mass Times:

Monday 7:00 pm
Tuesday – Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am

Sacraments:

Confessions– Saturdays between 3:00—3:45 pm or by appointment.

Baptism / Marriage / Anointing of the Sick or Home Communion / Funeral - Please contact the Parish office.

Devotions / Prayers

Morning Prayers / Breviary:

Tuesday-Friday 7:40 am
Saturday & Sunday 8:30 am

Mother of Perpetual Help:

Wednesdays 7:00 pm

Infant Jesus of Prague:

Mondays 6:30 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Sundays 1:30 pm

First Fridays - Holy Hour at 6:00 pm (except during Lent)

Stations of the Cross (during Lent) - every Friday at 6:30 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm.

Pastor's Corner - 13th Sunday In Ordinary Time



Barking Dog

On a Communion round I did many years ago there was an elderly housebound couple. Their house had a wrought iron fence with a sign "Beware of Dog" and each time I pressed the button ferocious barking would explode from inside the house. A young man would come out and ask me to wait while he put the dog in the bedroom and then I could go in. I took Communion there for 9 months but never once saw the dog. There was a photo in the lounge room though of a beautiful German Shepherd.

Towards the end of my time there I said to the lady of the house 'Your dog must be very ferocious.' She answered "Not really. She's a very nice dog; it's just that she's afraid". I thought to myself 'The dog is afraid?' By the sound of the barking one would never have guessed. But then I got to thinking a little more deeply. To be perfectly honest, I had to admit to myself, some of my fiercest barking is caused by fear. It's a trait we humans share with the animal kingdom, like the hair that stands up on animals to make them appear larger, our growls are often caused by fear.

Fear wears many disguises and it's usually difficult to identify in others and almost impossible to recognize and admit to in ourselves.

Think about it for a moment. Question yourself about why you say no to things. What disturbs you about others? Why you dislike certain changes? Why are there certain things you don't do?

Fear takes as many forms as there are human situations and, as I have already said it often disguises itself, like in that Alsatian dog, as aggression.

Rejection

Well, let's look at the Gospel. At first sight you would think the townspeople in the gospel had taken leave of their senses. They recognize the wisdom of Jesus' words, they admit to the miraculous nature of his deeds, and then, strangely, they reject him. How very contradictory? They have the evidence of greatness before them but they cannot bring themselves to accept it. What is the explanation for this startling state of affairs?

Listen again to the townspeople's complaint: This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us? And they would not accept him. Do you see how they are arguing for the familiar, the known, the comfortable. They are rehearsing to themselves what they know, or think they know, about Jesus, what they are comfortable with.

No Fear in Jesus

For the townspeople of Jesus' hometown to accept his wisdom and his miraculous gifts would mean having to accept a number of other things as well, not the least of which is a new 'pecking order' in the social arrangements. They would have had to accept that they had somehow been blind to the prophet in their midst and to admit this to one another. I think they were afraid of doing that. The very way they seem to insist on what they know about Jesus shows their discomfort, and I believe it was discomfort to the point of fear; fear of the unknown.

Our Daily Fears

There are many things we do, and refuse to do, out of fear. Beginning a real prayer life is perhaps one of the most common. To become a person of real prayer is to bring about a radical definition of one's life and values.

God must be my shield to defend myself from the attacks of the enemy. Giving up smoking or alcohol does the same thing. When someone gives up smoking at age thirty remembers thinking he/she would never be happy again. With alcohol it's even worse, apparently. Many alcoholics report that they don't give up because they don't know how they would deal with all those hours in a day if they were sober; it would require becoming an entirely new person, and for many that is just too frightening to contemplate. In such cases God can be their strength. This requires constant appeals to God to be their shield. All this leaves us with the question: What am I afraid of beginning or of leaving behind in order to become the kind of person I know I am really called to be?

Recently the Gospel has spoken of the demons who went into the pigs and caused them to die. The townspeople were so frightened by this they asked Jesus to leave the district! Can you imagine! They asked the one person who could bring them salvation - to leave! We do like our status quo, don't we?

Practical Conclusion

"Do not be afraid!" says God's word all throughout human history. "Do not be afraid!" Fear lowers our horizons and keeps us trapped in the familiar and safe, as we see in the people of Jesus' hometown. He could work no miracles there. But we know that faith and love cast out fear.

God bless you!

Fr. Rudy, OCD

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

- St. Paul
(Letter to the Philippians 4:13)

Daily Readings
13th Week in Ordinary Time



Monday: June 27
Amos 2:6-10, 13-16; Psalm 50
Matthew 8:18-22
Tuesday: June 28
Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Psalm 5;
Matthew 8:23-27
Wednesday: June 29
Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 34;
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;
Matthew 16:13-19
Thursday: June 30
Amos 7:10-17; Psalm 19;
Matthew 9:1-8
Friday: July 1
Amos 8:4-6, 9-12; Psalm 119;
Matthew 9:9-13
Saturday: July 2
Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 84;
Matthew 5:1-12a

Mass Offerings

June 27 - July 3, 2016

Monday 7:00 pm-
+George Brooks +
By: Daniel Brooks
Tuesday 8:00 am-
+ Norah Walsh +
By: Daniel Brooks
Wednesday 8:00 am-
Sp. Int. of Fr. John Tritschler
By: Michaela Vetter
Thursday 8:00 am-
+Juan Que+
By: Helen Tiampo
Friday 8:00 am-
Sp. Int. of Fr. John Tritschler
By: Michaela Vetter
Saturday —
9:00 am:
+Leon Tiampo +
By: Helen Tiampo
4:00 pm: -
Grace Tee
By: Lolita Fornelos
Sunday
9:00 am – **Thanksgiving for Blessings of DuPerron Family**
11:00 am
+Elaine Yim+
By: David DuPerron
12:30 pm—
Sp. Intentions of Guardian Angels Parishioners

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are in need of Volunteers for the following ministries:

- *Altar Servers
- *P.R.E.P. Teachers (for the Fall)
- *Sunday Readers/Lectors

Please contact the Parish Office by phone or email: parish.ga@rcav.org

*Free Estate and Burial Planning Workshop

Guardian Angels Parish will be hosting a Presentation/ Workshop by the Archdiocese of Vancouver Development Office on Wednesday, July 20 at 2:00 pm. The workshop will help you gather your thoughts before you write your first will or prepare to update your will. Learn about the beauty and dignity of the funeral rite and how to formulate pre-need arrangements. Receive FREE guides and loads of practical advice. These workshops will present facts and information. **No investment services or insurance will be promoted or sold.** Please see the poster—one by the main entrance or one by the side door. **PLEASE SIGN-UP YOUR INTEREST IN ATTENDING THIS WORKSHOP BY PUTTING YOUR NAME DOWN ON THE SHEET IN THE FOYER OR CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE BY EMAIL.**

First Friday, July 1 (Canada Day) - OFFICE IS CLOSED

There will be Mass at 8:00 am and another one at 7:00 pm. Holy Hour of Adoration starts with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00 pm and ends with Benediction at 6:45 pm. Holy Mass follows at 7:00 pm

IN AND AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Rosary Rally

Come support the next Rosary Rally on Saturday, July 9 at 10am at the South Plaza of the Vancouver Art Gallery (North side of Robson Street, between Hornby & Howe Street). These rallies are arranged by a small group of local Catholics, with no connection to any organized group.

*Prayer Service for Orlando

Join us for an evening of prayer and sacred music for all who have been grieving, confused, discouraged, or frightened since the massacre at Pulse Orlando. "Give graciously to all the living, and withhold not kindness from the dead. Do not fail those who weep, but mourn with those who mourn" (Sirach 7:33-34). All peaceful persons are welcome. Light refreshments to follow. Wednesday, June 29, from 7:30-9:00pm, St Anthony of Padua Parish, Vancouver.

*Pro-life Mass and Prayer Vigil

Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for unborn children and their parents on Saturday, July 2. Mass begins at 9am at St. Jude Parish, Vancouver. Followed by the Rosary at Burnaby Hospital.

PERMANENT DIACONATE ACCEPTING NEW APPLICATIONS

Archbishop Miller has announced that a third group of men will begin formation for the Permanent Diaconate in September. Classes will run from September to June on one Friday evening and one Saturday each month. Efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of men with younger families. Men aged 31-60 are eligible to apply, with the firm support of their wives. For more information or application forms, contact Msgr. Gregory Smith at gsmith@rcav.org

Nurturing Our Spiritual Life in Busy Times

What is it to nurture a spiritual life? What is a wise spiritual use of our time? Partake in the sacraments and prayer practices, and learn about practical strategies for improving our spiritual lives while balancing sometimes full and hectic schedules. For more info contact: www.stmarkscollege.ca, continuing@stmarkscollege.ca, or 604-822-4463.

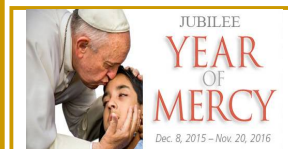
"Nourish yourself with God's holy will. Drink of this chalice of Jesus. Close your eyes and do not seek to know what it may contain. It is enough to know that Jesus offers it."

-St. Paul of the Cross

Project Advance Annual Appeal

Parish Goal: \$50,000

THANK YOU to those who have already submitted their pledges and donations. To date, the total amount of donations received is **\$ 31,093.94**. Our parish rebate this year will help defray the cost of repainting the Church building and the Rectory of Guardian Angels. If you haven't yet, please take home a brochure with enclosed pledge form found in the Church foyer and drop in the Sunday collection with your donation. No amount is too big or too small. Any amount you donate will make a difference.



Reflection June 26, 2016

"Looking at Christ, we feel at the same time looked at by him. He whom we have pierced with our faults never tires of pouring out upon the world an inexhaustible torrent of merciful love."

- Pope Benedict XVI



PARISH

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Susan Hauck—604 278-6346

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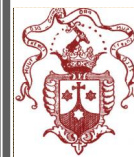
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Let us pray for those in our long-term prayer list

Maggie, Anthony Petrina, Geoffrey & Doreen DeSousa, Joyce Kisoondath, Pat Williamson, Masooma Noorzai, Andre Costa, Hassiran Hakim, Elizabeth Walton, Barry McDermott, Eddie Bilek, Lucille Johnston, Ralph Milburn, Milta Rapalo, Ida Brown, Sonja Lawrence, Colleen Mason, Jara Asterova, Zenaida Nicolas, Doreen Millburn, Helena Glavot, Zeenith Garay, Florence Nichols, Joanne Borrys and all the sick / shut-ins of our Parish whom we may not know by name.



Carmel Hill

Carmel Hill is an ideal venue for either personal or group retreats (Church groups only). For more details, visit www.carmelhill.ca

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